## UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT DISTRICT OF MASSACHUSETTS

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA	)	
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v.	)	CRIMINAL NO.: 04-10375-RWZ
MICHAEL PRIDGEN	)	

## DEFENDANT'S MOTION <u>IN LIMINE</u> TO PROHIBIT REFERENCE TO "FELON"

Defendant Michael Pridgen respectfully moves that this Court and the government refer to the prior conviction that is an element of 18 U.S.C. § 922(g)(1) as one "punishable by imprisonment for more than one year," rather than as a "felony conviction," and further moves that the charge against him not be described as that of being a "felon" in possession of a firearm.

As ground for this motion, defendant submits that the word "felon" may have pejorative connotations to the jury beyond the simple statutory requirement.

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